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In re Application of:

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A METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING AN
INTEGRATED DISPLAY DEVICE
INCLUDING AN OLED DISPLAY
AND A TOUCH SCREEN

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Response to Election/Restriction Requirement

Restriction Requirement:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Communication mailed December 15, 2005 requiring election of one of Groups I (claims 1, 2, 8-11), II (claims 1, 3, 7-11), III (claims 1, 4, 8-11), IV (claims 1, 5, 8-11) and V (claims 1, 6, 8-11) for examination purposes, Applicant hereby elects Group II, claims 1, 3, and 7-11. Such election is made with traverse.

The Examiner states that restriction is required because the inventions of Group I and Groups II-V are "unrelated". Such requirement is traversed, as the inventions of restricted claims 2 and 3 are related as alternative embodiments of the present invention of claim 1, and as the inventions of restricted claims 4, 5, and 6 are related as alternative embodiments of the invention of claim 3. As such inventions accordingly are not "unrelated" as urged by the Examiner, the asserted restriction requirement is clearly not proper.


As indicated by the Examiner, claims 1 and 8-11 link Groups I-V. Accordingly, even if the restriction requirement were to be maintained, upon allowance of linking claim 1, each of non-elected claims 2 and 4-6 dependent thereon should also be entitled to examination. Additionally, non-elected claims 4, 5, and 6 of Groups III, IV and V, respectively, are dependent upon claim 3 of

elected Group II. Thus, claim 3 is an additional linking claim between elected Group II and each of Groups III-V. Accordingly, even if the restriction requirement were to be maintained, upon allowance of linking claim 3, each of non-elected claims 4-6 dependent thereon should also be entitled to examination.

Election of Species Requirement:

In response to the election of species requirement between (a) active matrix species and (b) passive matrix species, Applicant hereby elects (a) active matrix species for examination purposes. Claims 1-8 and 10-11 are generic to or otherwise readable upon the elected species.

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